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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

Most of the tables in this publication have been prepared entirely on a monthly basis, to provide easy comparison of data. With a few exceptions, annual and quarterly figures are expressed as Monthly Averages, and these can be converted to actual totals by multiplying by 12 and 3 respectively.

For example (from page 1 opposite):

Marriages in year 1959 -

Monthly average	551
Therefore Annual total = $12 \times 551 =$	6,612
, (Actual figure is 6,614)	

Births in March quarter 1960 -

Monthly average	1,742
Therefore quarterly total = $3 \times 1,742 =$	5,226
(Actual figure is 5,225)	

The statistics as published can be adapted to give information in a number of different forms. For instance -

- (1) Details can be obtained for calendar or financial years as required, by addition of figures for the four relevant quarters.
- (2) Progress total for the year to date can be obtained by adding totals of quarters and months.

e.g. If May figures are the latest published, total for the 5 months to May =  $3 \times$  monthly average of March quarter + April and May.

This procedure can be used to calculate corresponding figures for the same period of the previous two years, or similar information on a financial year basis.

Details of production on pages 6 - 9 are for selected items only. Particulars for several commodities of considerable importance in this State have been withheld because publication would reveal confidential information.

### ABBREVIATIONS USED.

Throughout this bulletin the following symbols have been used -

n.a.	Not collected, not available for publication, or not applicable
..	Nil (or less than 0.5)
p	Preliminary figures
r	Revised since previous issue

A blank space in a column of figures means the figure concerned is not yet available.

When the symbols "p" and "r" are placed in the column headed "Period" (as for example on page 11), they refer to all figures on that particular line.



Period	Births (a)(b)	Marriages (a)	Deaths (a)		Net Migration (Overseas and Inter- state) (d)	Population (e)		
			Infant	Total		Whole State	Metro- politan	
			(c)					
MONTHLY AVERAGES								
Year:	1955	1,541	519	36	628	1,286	834,635	508,700
	1956	1,580	523	31	633	1,326	861,912	526,500
	1957	1,628	548	34	631	1,028	886,203	542,300
	1958	1,671	542	37	645	790	907,992	555,200
	1959	1,698	551	35	662	1,167	934,427	n.a.
Quarter:								
June	1957	1,513	572	27	582	547	873,123	534,300
Sept.		1,755	485	43	787	1,391	880,200	538,600
Dec.		1,572	561	30	586	1,016	886,203	542,300
Mar.	1958	1,662	563	33	562	882	892,149	545,900
June		1,619	575	31	607	521	896,750	548,000
Sept.		1,715	485	46	767	712	901,728	551,200
Dec.		1,687	546	41	646	1,047	907,992	555,200
Mar.	1959	1,698	597	35	590	1,149	914,763	559,100
June		1,630	543	30	638	1,032	920,835	562,500
Sept.		1,865	484	49	850	1,154	927,341	566,300
Dec.		1,598	580	27	569	1,333	934,427	570,700
Mar.	1960	1,742	551	32	580			
MONTHLY TOTALS								
Mar.	1958	1,725	560	35	555	NOT  AVAILABLE		
Apr.		1,388	741	30	555			
May		2,034	486	35	601			
Mar.	1959	1,864	557	26	469			
Apr.		1,714	643	36	576			
May		1,396	525	30	629			
Mar.	1960	2,074 (A)	454	36	557			
Apr.		1,566	822	34	393			
May		1,114	504	37	653			

(a) Registrations recorded during the period.

(b) Recording procedure was changed in January, 1960 resulting in variations in subsequent periods.

(c) Under 1 year of age.

(d) Excess of arrivals over departures. Interstate migration relates to recorded movements by rail, sea, and air, and certain special movements by road.

(e) As at the end of each period.

NOTE: Population increases of the State can be calculated from the above figures as the sum of Natural Increase (Births minus Deaths) plus Net Migration.

## EMPLOYMENT AND BASIC WAGE

Period	Employment (a)						Basic Wage (b)
	Total	Government	Private	Principal Industrial Groups			
				Factories	Const- ruction	Retail Trade	
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	s. d.
MONTH				MALES			
July 1955	181.5	55.9	125.6	72.7	19.0	12.1	231 0
1956	187.0	57.1	129.9	73.6	21.2	12.3	241 0
1957	185.8	58.6	127.2	72.7	20.1	12.1	251 0
1958	r 186.6	59.2	r 127.4	r 73.8	18.9	12.3	256 0
1959	r 192.3	61.8	r 130.5	r 76.1	20.7	12.4	271 0
Jan. 1958	186.6	58.8	127.8	73.7	18.7	12.4	251 0
Feb.	186.5	58.9	127.6	73.7	18.6	12.4	251 0
Mar.	186.3	58.7	127.6	73.8	18.6	12.4	251 0
Jan. 1959	r 188.6	60.0	r 128.6	r 74.8	19.1	12.4	256 0
Feb.	r 190.0	60.6	r 129.4	r 75.1	19.6	12.4	256 0
Mar.	190.5	60.7	129.8	75.6	19.7	12.4	256 0
Jan. 1960	r 195.7	61.8	r 133.9	r 78.5	19.7	13.1	271 0
Feb.	r 196.0	61.6	r 134.4	r 78.7	19.5	13.0	271 0
Mar.	196.4	61.3	135.1	79.5	19.5	12.9	271 0
				FEMALES			
July 1955	60.1	12.5	47.6	15.6	0.4	12.6	173 0
1956	62.7	13.6	49.1	15.6	0.5	13.0	180 0
1957	62.5	14.0	48.5	15.7	0.5	12.3	188 0
1958	r 63.7	14.8	r 48.9	r 16.1	0.5	12.1	192 0
1959	r 66.0	16.0	r 50.0	r 16.4	0.5	12.6	203 0
Jan. 1958	64.0	13.8	50.2	16.9	0.5	12.4	188 0
Feb.	64.1	14.3	49.8	16.8	0.5	12.3	188 0
Mar.	64.7	14.2	50.5	17.1	0.5	12.3	188 0
Jan. 1959	r 65.2	14.8	r 50.4	r 16.8	0.5	12.7	192 0
Feb.	r 65.3	15.3	r 50.0	r 16.4	0.5	12.5	192 0
Mar.	65.7	15.4	50.3	16.6	0.5	12.6	192 0
Jan. 1960	r 68.6	16.0	r 52.6	r 17.6	0.5	13.0	203 0
Feb.	r 69.0	16.2	r 52.8	r 17.8	0.5	13.1	203 0
Mar.	69.7	16.4	53.3	18.2	0.5	13.0	203 0

(a) As at last pay-day in month. EXCLUDING rural workers, female private domestics and defence forces.

(b) At end of month.

UNEMPLOYMENT

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Period	Registered with Commonwealth Employment Service			Unemployment Benefits		
	Vacancies filled	Vacancies available (a)	Applicants awaiting placement (a) (b)	Persons admitted	Amount paid	Persons on Benefit (a)
	No.	No.	No.	No.	£	No.
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>						
Year:						
1955	1,953	6,410	1,298	39	743	56
1956	1,902	1,668	3,299	365	4,869	978
1957	1,746	1,430	4,593	624	15,563	1,568
1958	1,865	2,059	5,240	898	33,212	1,703
1959	2,163	2,275	4,813	605	23,049	1,120
Quarter:						
June 1957	1,594	1,084	4,152	629	9,904	1,054
Sept.	1,586	1,385	4,164	791	17,683	1,233
Dec.	1,621	1,430	4,593	680	23,749	1,568
Mar. 1958	2,463	1,050	5,484	892	26,547	1,521
June	1,495	948	5,873	1,128	33,871	2,258
Sept.	1,604	1,344	5,439	961	42,136	1,930
Dec.	1,899	2,059	5,240	613	30,296	1,703
Mar. 1959	2,543	1,526	5,140	667	24,109	1,416
June	2,198	1,581	4,824	668	24,259	1,332
Sept.	2,107	1,825	4,388	625	24,400	1,226
Dec.	1,803	2,275	4,813	458	19,428	1,120
Mar. 1960	2,682	1,989	4,955	685	18,214	1,034
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>						
Mar. 1958	2,395	1,050	5,484	1,060	30,179	1,521
April	1,779	944	5,756	1,071	27,594	1,873
May	1,447	943	5,926	1,311	30,619	2,075
Mar. 1959	2,514	1,526	5,140	498	19,108	1,116
April	2,638	1,478	5,390	671	29,177	1,254
May	2,227	1,555	5,143	760	19,537	1,317
Mar. 1960	2,842	1,989	4,955	542	18,018	1,034
April	1,540	1,771	5,283	857	16,168	1,324
May	1,751	1,692	5,695			

(a) Actual numbers as at the end of the period.

(b) Applicants who stated when registering that they were unemployed.  
Includes recipients of Unemployment Benefits.

**BUILDINGS - COMMENCEMENTS AND COMPLETIONS**  
(WHOLE STATE)

Period	Houses		Flats		Total Buildings (a)	
	Number (b)	Value (£'000)	Number (b)	Value (£'000)	Number	Value (£'000)
COMMENCEMENTS						
MONTHLY AVERAGES						
Year: 1954-55	599	1,767	6	13	672	2,496
1955-56	698	2,131	11	27	781	3,600
1956-57	569	1,792	25	55	662	2,657
1957-58	579	1,875	42	90	684	2,971
1958-59	677	2,170	63	153	822	3,561
Quarter:						
June 1957	580	1,849	24	52	671	2,643
Sept.	644	2,106	42	108	760	3,029
Dec.	563	1,824	30	51	653	2,710
Mar. 1958	505	1,624	50	104	615	2,961
June	605	1,945	44	97	708	3,187
Sept.	638	2,029	85	238	816	3,612
Dec.	632	2,017	76	171	793	3,389
Mar. 1959	653	2,104	32	67	752	3,226
June	785	2,531	57	136	928	4,020
Sept.	755	2,456	59	150	895	4,276
Dec.	695	2,305	90	219	846	3,783
Mar. 1960	804	2,707	50	152	926	4,052
COMPLETIONS						
Year: 1954-55	610	1,721	9	19	688	2,257
1955-56	643	1,940	7	17	721	2,810
1956-57	599	1,900	19	43	688	2,833
1957-58	634	2,059	31	73	733	3,171
1958-59	679	2,188	53	130	808	3,700
Quarter:						
June 1957	570	1,827	31	61	677	2,850
Sept.	641	2,036	32	82	743	3,003
Dec.	686	2,245	26	59	795	3,393
Mar. 1958	583	1,922	40	94	680	3,028
June	625	2,032	26	55	714	3,258
Sept.	680	2,191	54	131	799	3,244
Dec.	679	2,198	67	167	830	4,685
Mar. 1959	611	1,959	49	123	734	3,158
June	744	2,404	43	98	869	3,712
Sept.	719	2,339	51	119	853	3,771
Dec.	802	2,625	54	123	934	4,069
Mar. 1960	731	2,466	48	115	842	3,888

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# BUILDINGS - PERMITS (c)

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(METROPOLITAN AREA)

Period	Houses		Flats		Total Buildings (a)	
	Number (b)	Value (£'000)	Number (b)	Value (£'000)	Number	Value (£'000)
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>						
Year: 1954-55	477	1,339	6	11	537	1,845
1955-56	471	1,447	11	17	537	2,080
1956-57	361	1,140	37	64	448	1,526
1957-58	381	1,220	45	73	474	1,740
1958-59	406	1,318	53	119	492	1,953
Quarter:						
June 1957	439	1,386	65	112	558	1,931
Sept.	471	1,519	43	69	567	2,011
Dec.	357	1,127	44	72	449	1,549
Mar. 1958	302	1,006	49	80	397	1,712
June	392	1,228	43	72	485	1,688
Sept.	481	1,533	58	135	569	2,227
Dec.	359	1,155	50	100	446	1,821
Mar. 1959	382	1,263	38	86	450	1,779
June	400	1,319	65	155	502	1,982
Sept.	437	1,482	48	107	527	2,281
Dec.	461	1,526	36	79	531	2,306
Mar. 1960	459	1,591	96	210	588	2,454
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>						
Mar. 1958	349	1,061	27	39	420	1,462
April	331	r 1,105	22	41	397	1,435
May	400	1,322	45	71	496	1,908
Mar. 1959	392	1,320	53	118	485	1,895
April	398	r 1,327	31	76	462	1,733
May	314	1,099	34	90	391	1,836
Mar. 1960	520	1,772	152	328	710	2,524
April	r 409	1,418	70	151	r 512	2,316
May	427	1,444	77	145	537	2,446

(a) Includes factories, shops and other new buildings but excludes additions and alterations.

(b) Each dwelling unit of maisonettes and flats counted separately.

(c) Includes Housing Trust, but excludes other Government authorisations.

## PRODUCTION - SELECTED COMMODITIES

Period	Coal	Iron Ore (a)	Electricity	Clay Bricks (b)	Cement Roofing Tiles	Sawn Timber (c)
	tons	tons	'000 K.W.H.	'000	'000	'000 sup.ft.
<b>MONTHLY AVERAGES</b>						
Year: 1954-55	41,343	247,561	93,270	6,069	694	6,829
1955-56	37,555	268,980	100,293	6,264	805	8,295
1956-57	43,829	297,834	109,601	6,430	687	7,773
1957-58	59,131	276,729	131,737	7,060	650	6,909
1958-59	61,269	284,697	r 131,930	7,597	r 677	r 10,006
Quarter:						
Sept. 1957	64,656	263,655	142,000	7,257	669	6,505
Dec.	50,323	295,178	129,100	6,951	640	6,263
Mar. 1958	63,951	273,373	126,000	6,768	633	6,839
June	57,593	274,712	129,800	7,263	658	8,030
Sept.	69,083	287,921	r 141,053	7,657	r 692	r 9,172
Dec.	61,046	281,526	r 119,786	7,593	r 585	r 9,461
Mar. 1959	54,418	278,090	r 127,456	6,927	r 595	r 9,206
June	60,530	291,251	r 139,425	8,213	r 835	r 12,184
Sept.	56,295	289,128	p 157,859	p 8,391	p 930	p 11,110
Dec.	58,882	282,600	p 147,555	p 8,130	p 870	p 9,951
Mar. 1960	61,533	287,358	p 143,399	p 7,981	p 839	p 9,598
<b>MONTHLY TOTALS</b>						
Mar. 1958	65,182	n.a.	128,200	7,249	695	7,376
April	60,026	n.a.	119,500	6,932	647	6,878
May	66,214	n.a.	136,500	7,627	714	7,304
Mar. 1959	52,982	n.a.	r 132,496	7,491	r 708	r 10,743
April	64,485	n.a.	r 123,715	8,703	r 847	r 11,629
May	56,273	n.a.	135,872	8,065	801	11,386
Mar. 1960	61,594	n.a.	p 148,733	p 9,329	p 929	p 10,586
April	53,450	n.a.	p 144,600	p 7,767	p 746	p 9,056
May	69,222	n.a.	p 160,556		p 898	

(a) Includes Jaspalite.

(b) Includes both standard and non-standard types.

(c) From Australian logs only.

PRODUCTION - SELECTED COMMODITIES

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Period	Paints (other than water) & Enamels	Water Paints (Emulsion type)	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Electric Storage Hot Water Systems	Electric Washing Machines	Bath Heaters (all kinds)	Cara- vans
	galls	galls	Sq.yds	No.	No.	No.	No.
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>							
Year: 1954-55	n.a.	n.a.	91,417	478	6,432	1,014	29
1955-56	n.a.	n.a.	r 94,203	509	5,897	1,007	63
1956-57	n.a.	n.a.	r 78,379	379	4,348	951	66
1957-58	106,419	25,437	r 81,021	428	5,182	902	70
1958-59	r 99,715	r 16,540	84,852	r 519	6,467	r 846	r 91
Quarter:							
Sept. 1957	100,056	35,442	r 85,859	471	4,575	1,178	66
Dec. 1957	119,989	32,316	r 82,732	416	4,673	980	87
Mar. 1958	112,679	19,715	r 71,978	376	5,121	666	73
June 1958	92,951	14,275	r 83,516	448	6,359	784	55
Sept. 1958	r 106,721	r 20,462	88,825	r 525	6,647	r 1,071	r 83
Dec. 1958	r 114,149	r 17,349	81,838	509	6,528	r 875	r 135
Mar. 1959	r 87,440	r 14,278	79,844	472	5,413	r 688	r 74
June 1959	r 90,548	r 14,072	88,902	r 569	7,278	r 749	r 72
Sept. 1959 p	93,522	12,619	101,397	682	6,883	948	85
Dec. 1959 p	94,233	16,582	91,163	587	5,253	613	125
Mar. 1960 p	92,678	15,151	86,867	682	6,739	642	91
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>							
Mar. 1958	115,507	15,493	r 65,585	422	5,860	710	85
April 1958	90,678	10,255	r 79,974	396	6,188	557	63
May 1958	102,090	13,530	90,938	501	7,474	885	58
Mar. 1959 p	r 92,663	r 15,419	88,843	504	6,354	r 810	r 75
April 1959 p	r 103,295	r 15,598	90,047	574	7,520	r 745	r 68
May 1959 p	88,859	14,925	91,215	503	6,707	707	78
Mar. 1960 p	115,534	14,687	103,782	814	9,588	800	105
April 1960 p	78,985	13,607	87,137	r 550	7,421	699	95
May 1960 p	78,837	15,063			8,779	709	



PRODUCTION - SELECTED COMMODITIES

Period	Inner Spring Mattresses	Footwear (a)	Men's 2 piece suits	Sports trousers	Meat (b)	
					Beef and Veal	Lamb and Mutton
	No.	pairs	No.	pairs	tons	tons
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>						
Year: 1954-55	2,784	127,953	n.a.	n.a.	2,869	4,154
1955-56	3,526	128,112	n.a.	n.a.	3,126	3,695
1956-57	3,601	133,352	n.a.	n.a.	3,355	3,547
1957-58	4,127	139,259	2,179	6,544	3,423	4,473
1958-59	4,142	133,479	2,210	4,715	3,479	4,510
<u>Quarter:</u>						
Sept. 1957	4,331	150,138	2,590	6,646	3,461	3,484
Dec.	4,383	131,387	2,527	6,429	3,420	6,460
Mar. 1958	3,981	127,128	1,945	6,673	3,280	4,549
June	3,814	148,381	1,655	6,427	3,529	3,401
Sept.	4,190	r144,856	2,495	4,314	3,102	3,780
Dec.	4,215	r129,362	2,313	5,725	3,631	6,634
Mar. 1959	3,813	106,764	1,851	4,239	3,636	4,036
June	4,349	r152,936	2,180	4,582	3,548	3,589
Sept. p	4,529	140,143	2,581	4,333	3,106	4,738
Dec. p	4,819	132,888	2,756	4,900	2,996	6,706
Mar. 1960p	4,762	125,421	2,537	5,773	2,633	4,339
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>						
Mar. 1958	4,236	159,906	2,173	8,419	3,100	4,196
April	3,607	145,001	1,685	8,280	3,533	3,860
May	3,998	167,227	1,900	6,700	3,858	3,277
Mar. 1959	4,411	135,549	1,500	5,000	3,788	3,848
April	4,377	163,963	2,200	4,500	3,912	3,665
May	4,156	149,954	2,300	5,900	3,178	3,254
Mar. 1960p	6,079	158,791	n.a.	6,631	2,371	3,596
April p	4,511	126,506	2,379	7,343	3,005	4,055
May p					2,416	3,322

(a) Excludes sandshoes, goloshes, gum etc. boots of rubber and infants' soft soled nursery footwear.

(b) Bone-in weight.



PRODUCTION - SELECTED COMMODITIES

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Period	Butter (a)	Cheese (a)	Bacon and Ham (b)	Confect- ionery	Mar- garine	Aerated Waters
	'000 lbs.					'000 gall.
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>						
Year: 1954-55	1,588	2,446	582	357	171	574
1955-56	1,598	2,358	617	391	190	621
1956-57	1,576	2,232	590	415	238	546
1957-58	1,313	1,959	554	409	257	612
1958-59	1,317	2,091 r	541	449 r	273	674 r
Quarter:						
Sept. 1957	1,625	2,565	544	471	315	n.a.
Dec.	1,885	3,491	680	385	216	n.a.
Mar. 1958	885	966	500	351	230	844
June	856	815	493	429	267	454
Sept.	1,575	2,436 r	538	518 r	314	410 r
Dec.	1,911	3,748 r	669	428 r	238	807 r
Mar. 1959	906	1,237 r	454	349 r	257	972 r
June	876	942 r	505	500	284	508 r
Sept. p	1,284	2,274	563	566	314	573
Dec. p	1,533	3,314	676	445	258	1,022
Mar. 1960 p	906	1,458	470	387	283	1,128
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>						
Mar. 1958	645	367	528	409	178	649
April	641	359	513	390	262	597
May	826	774	507	458	278	420
Mar. 1959	729	672 r	483	426	258	704 r
April	780	631 r	508	451	298	622 r
May	834	997	494	497	264	480
Mar. 1960 p	854	1,115	518 r	506	318	976
April p	693	757	475	476	295	682
May p					350	

(a) Factory production only.

(b) Finished weight

## EXPORTS - QUANTITY OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES

Period	Lamb (a)	Wheat	Barley	Wool (a)	Lead (Pig)	Minerals (b)
	'000 lbs	'000 bush	'000 bush	'000 lbs	'000 cwt	'000 cwt
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>						
Year: 1954-55	2,136	1,164	1,228	9,763	229	421
1955-56	1,437	1,325	1,159	11,772	239	470
1956-57	1,123	1,677	1,559	12,967	268	491
1957-58	1,394	1,229	1,466	11,516	272	655
1958-59	1,790	1,199	1,474	13,051	237	509
Quarter:						
June 1957	6	1,549	1,887	14,432	243	428
Sept.	148	1,366	2,600	10,665	262	1,038
Dec.	3,980	1,584	1,118	14,817	253	630
Mar. 1958	1,075	1,136	856	10,970	301	554
June	374	829	1,290	9,610	270	397
Sept.	558	914	1,458	9,671	203	555
Dec.	4,389	1,044	132	16,311	252	571
Mar. 1959	2,161	1,634	2,384	12,872	241	278
June	51	1,203	1,920	13,352	253	633
Sept. p	331	2,188	1,284	11,355	139	540 r
Dec. p	2,546	711	2,405	17,800 r	281	318
Mar. 1960 p	1,181	531	696	13,546	183	553
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>						
Feb. 1958	146	799	815	10,755	271	347
Mar.	1,557	1,111	605	9,613	276	325
April	123	656	708	10,369	283	456
Feb. 1959	1,002	1,529	3,011	12,980	266	312
Mar.	148	1,749	2,184	11,907	188	284
April	11	1,659	2,666	12,593	287	512
Feb. 1960 p	1,862	1,014	1,223	12,657	172	468
Mar. p	207	518	159	15,153	246	733
April p	12	258	84	11,409	85	743

(a) Greasy, including scoured, tops, noils and soft wool waste converted to greasy equivalent.

(b) Mainly copper, lead and zinc concentrates and ores.

## EXPORTS - VALUE OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES

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Period	Total Exports	Lamb	Wheat	Barley	Wool	Lead (pig)	Minerals (a)
£'000							
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>							
Year: 1954-55	8,139	223	825	658	2,883	1,399	406
1955-56	7,923	141	921	586	2,919	1,598	397
1956-57	10,244	95	1,152	772	4,122	1,834	599
1957-58	8,323	139	890	716	3,045	1,309	653
1958-59	7,576	179	845	850	2,634	1,036	435
<u>Quarter:</u>							
June 1957	10,822	1	1,066	881	4,970	1,556	458
Sept.	9,476	15	960	1,186	3,258	1,454	1,095
Dec.	9,502	398	1,142	503	4,060	1,291	745
Mar. 1958	7,462	104	830	470	2,747	1,316	402
June	6,854	37	630	705	2,115	1,173	368
Sept.	6,426	56	686	804	2,020	867	433
Dec.	7,540	439	763	78	3,160	1,178	497
Mar. 1959	7,974	215	1,144	1,419	2,467	1,042	155
June	8,366	5	789	1,101	2,888	1,059	653
Sept. p	r 7,793	33	1,529	615	r 2,574	599	r 576
Dec. p	r 9,501	r 187	510	1,042	r 4,284	1,282	382
Mar. 1960 p	6,985	78	371	300	3,289	828	538
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>							
Feb. 1958	7,241	15	581	545	2,596	1,183	298
Mar.	6,431	157	792	376	2,398	1,225	122
April	7,037	12	484	425	2,461	1,237	608
Feb. 1959	8,412	99	1,057	1,797	2,465	1,167	118
Mar.	7,108	15	1,217	1,294	2,314	807	40
April	8,659	1	1,195	1,530	2,562	1,164	330
Feb. 1960 p	7,426	123	731	527	2,967	790	673
Mar. p	7,707	14	338	69	3,735	1,119	559
April p	6,012	1	181	40	2,662	442	385

(a) Mainly copper, lead and zinc concentrates and ores.

## IMPORTS - VALUE OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES

Period	Total Imports	Motor Vehicles & Parts	Machinery		Iron and Steel (b)	Textiles	Timber
			Electric Motors (a)	Other			
£'000							
MONTHLY AVERAGES							
Year: 1954-55	5,400	886	225	638	607	350	209
1955-56	5,229	707	289	661	582	281	281
1956-57	3,784	378	230	551	282	208	234
1957-58	3,925	367	251	614	212	263	223
1958-59	3,779	433	312	560	166	235	172
Quarter:							
June 1957	3,195	234	197	472	241	205	225
Sept.	4,357	398	297	786	276	294	192
Dec.	3,964	399	209	600	184	225	217
Mar. 1958	4,051	369	315	621	231	302	245
June	3,328	304	181	447	157	230	238
Sept.	r3,657	431	284	521	167	255	214
Dec.	r3,969	338	261	566	162	221	169
Mar. 1959	r3,644	316	396	553	188	257	124
June	r3,846	647	308	600	147	207	181
Sept. p	r4,743	r 612	372	651	154	242	218
Dec. p	4,984	r 488	r 730	1,015	126	220	147
Mar. 1960 p	4,566	659	264	672	170	288	269
MONTHLY TOTALS							
Jan. 1958	4,949	512	355	748	379	323	363
Feb.	3,708	310	326	546	160	311	169
Mar.	3,497	286	265	569	154	273	204
Jan. 1959	3,779	246	367	564	281	266	152
Feb.	r3,725	380	516	586	135	236	45
Mar.	3,428	322	304	509	149	268	174
Jan. 1960 p	4,075	532	337	823	216	171	227
Feb. p	4,216	603	182	649	130	325	307
Mar. p	5,406	842	272	544	164	367	272

(a) Dynamo electrical machinery and electrical appliances and equipment.

(b) Metal and semi-manufactures (basic shapes), except wire, but including structural iron and steel.

Period	New Motor Vehicles Registered				Licences Issued		Telephone Services Connected
	Total (a)	Cars	Station Wagons	Trucks & Utilities	Radio	Tele-vision	
MONTHLY AVERAGE	Number of New Registrations				No.	No.	No.
Year: 1955	2,309	1,567	19	461	1,366	..	1,106
1956	1,937	1,278	23	414	1,627	..	1,325
1957	1,906	1,279	51	367	1,486	..	1,337
1958	1,966	1,246	152	357	1,692	..	1,438
1959	2,139	1,253	272	396	1,589	2,838	1,619
Quarter:							
June 1957	1,848	1,233	56	366	1,642	..	1,195
Sept.	1,863	1,249	52	350	1,572	..	1,557
Dec.	2,108	1,412	76	373	1,340	..	1,414
Mar. 1958	1,863	1,160	100	342	1,326	..	1,592
June	1,938	1,268	145	324	1,850	..	1,334
Sept.	1,891	1,209	158	343	1,799	..	1,334
Dec.	2,158	1,340	204	414	1,795	..	1,492
Mar. 1959	1,929	1,156	199	389	1,444	..	1,341
June	1,947	1,088	234	403	1,897	2,007	2,032
Sept.	2,135	1,222	313	377	1,644	3,752	1,595
Dec.	2,546	1,546	342	416	1,372	5,594	1,509
Mar. 1960	2,116	1,315	293	286	1,269	8,057	1,779
MONTHLY TOTALS							
Mar. 1958	2,064	1,286	148	402	1,468	..	1,361
April	2,424	1,634	141	393	2,349	..	1,167
May	1,823	1,148	165	311	1,783	..	1,490
Mar. 1959	2,098	1,231	240	445	1,416	..	1,216
April	2,033	1,156	230	420	1,917	..	1,485
May	1,975	1,050	236	469	1,999	3,799	1,849
Mar. 1960	2,582	1,603	397	311	1,529	13,678	2,287
April	2,331	1,522	300	335	1,190	6,990	1,610
May	2,369	1,419	361	358	1,672	11,931	1,959
AS AT 31ST MAY	Total Vehicles on Register (b)				Total (c)		
1958	261,688	173,975		66,946	239,345	..	168,795
1959	260,588	177,574		64,706	246,294	3,799	179,943
1960	274,321	191,135		65,988	250,726	76,536	191,772

(a) Includes other types of vehicles, e.g. Buses, Motor Cycles.

(b) Figures supplied by Registrar of Motor Vehicles.

(c) Total existing licences and phones includes Northern Territory (as at 30th June, 1959, Radio licences 3,260, Phones 3,211).

## RETAIL SALES

The figures below relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services repairs etc.) from fixed premises at which goods are normally sold by retail to the general public. Goods sold from hotels, garages and service stations are included but those from establishments such as clubs and guesthouses are excluded. Figures for the year 1952/53 and 1956/57 are derived from Censuses but other figures are estimates based on sample surveys.

Period	Food-stuffs (a)	Beer, Wine & Spirits	Clothing Footwear etc.	Electrical Goods (b)	Other Goods (c)(d)(e)	Total (Excl. motor vehicles, etc.) (d) (e)	Motor Vehicles Parts, etc. (e) (f)
MONTHLY AVERAGES				£ million			
Year: 1952-53	4.0	1.2	2.8	0.6	3.4	12.0	3.8
1953-54	4.3	1.3	3.0	0.7	3.7	13.0	4.3
1954-55	4.8	1.4	3.3	0.7	4.0	14.2	5.1
1955-56	5.2	1.5	3.5	0.8	4.3	15.3	5.5
1956-57	5.6	1.7	3.4	0.8	4.5	16.0	5.6
1957-58	5.7	1.7	3.4	0.9	4.5	16.2	5.6
1958-59 p	6.2	1.6	3.6	1.1	4.7	17.2	6.2
Quarter:							
June 1957	5.6	1.5	3.7	0.7	4.3	15.8	5.7
Sept.	5.6	1.5	3.3	0.7	4.3	15.4	5.6
Dec.	5.8	1.9	4.0	1.1	5.1	17.9	5.8
Mar. 1958	5.6	1.8	2.9	0.9	4.2	15.4	5.6
June	5.7	1.5	3.6	0.8	4.4	16.0	5.4
Sept. p	5.9	1.4	3.4	0.9	4.5	16.1	5.8
Dec. p	6.5	1.8	4.1	1.1	5.3	18.8	6.4
Mar. 1959 p	6.2	1.8	3.0	0.9	4.4	16.3	6.1
June p	6.3	1.4	4.0	1.1	4.7	17.5	6.4
Sept. p	6.3	1.5	3.7	1.5	4.8	17.8	6.2
Dec. p	6.9	1.9	4.4	2.1	5.8	21.1	7.2
Mar. 1960 p						18.3	

- (a) Includes groceries, butchers' meat, fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread.
- (b) Includes radios, television and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc.
- (c) Includes tobacco, cigarettes, etc., newspapers, books and stationery, hardware, chemists' goods, grain and produce, jewellery, office equipment, etc.
- (d) Excludes basic building materials (e.g. timber, roofing tiles, bricks, cement etc.)
- (e) Excludes farm machinery and implements, earth moving equipment, etc.
- (f) Includes new and used motor vehicles, tractors, parts, petrol etc.

(Of Finance Businesses which finance the sale of goods  
by retail, but do not retail goods themselves)

Period	Number of agreements	Value of goods sold (b)	Amount financed (c)	Balances outstanding
	No.	£'000	£'000	£'000
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>				
Year: 1954-55	7,395	2,258	1,403	18,633
1955-56	7,853	2,417	1,518	21,618
1956-57	8,526	2,754	1,770	25,349
1957-58	10,769	2,889	1,899	28,761
1958-59	11,829	3,147	2,080	32,862
Quarter:				
June 1957	8,488	2,549	1,641	25,349
Sept.	9,645	2,654	1,726	25,800
Dec.	11,717	3,039	2,011	27,454
Mar. 1958	10,714	2,876	1,895	27,898
June	11,000	2,985	1,962	28,761
Sept.	11,429	3,000	1,964	29,719
Dec.	13,145	3,465	2,293	31,867
Mar. 1959	11,164	2,956	1,952	32,143
June	11,578	3,167	2,110	32,862
Sept.	12,158	3,427	2,296	34,576
Dec.	14,229	4,048	2,785	38,136
Mar. 1960				p 39,489
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>				
Jan. 1958	11,035	2,897	1,926	27,808
Feb.	10,421	2,763	1,827	27,921
Mar.	10,685	2,969	1,933	27,898
Jan. 1959	11,658	2,953	1,962	32,180
Feb.	11,300	2,876	1,908	32,332
Mar.	10,533	3,040	1,985	32,143
Nov.	13,532	3,971	2,702	36,577
Dec.	15,478	4,301	2,985	38,136
Jan. 1960				p 38,450
Feb.				p 38,779
Mar.				p 39,489

(a) Includes Northern Territory.

(b) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hire charges and insurance)

(c) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

## STATE FINANCE - CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND

Period	Receipts			Payments			
	Total (inc. other)	Cwlth Grants	Business under- takings	Total (incl. other)	Social Services	Debt Charges	Business under- takings
MONTHLY AVERAGES							
	£'000						
Year: 1954-55	4,324	1,343	1,752	4,510	1,159	815	1,556
1955-56	4,950	1,665	1,885	5,069	1,363	982	1,593
1956-57	5,480	1,885	1,995	5,484	1,504	1,101	1,639
1957-58	5,887	2,050	2,109	5,920	1,659	1,217	1,705
1958-59	6,057	2,089	2,099	6,142	1,908	1,340	1,601
Quarter:							
June 1957	6,583	2,668	1,926	6,262	1,702	1,439	1,754
Sept.	4,820	1,700	1,726	3,962	1,549	901	1,720
Dec.	6,002	1,842	2,626	6,320	1,674	1,344	1,762
Mar. 1958	5,806	1,710	2,236	5,492	1,554	899	1,620
June	6,919	2,949	1,849	6,907	1,857	1,721	1,716
Sept.	4,627	1,724	1,390	5,193	1,747	994	1,611
Dec.	6,433	1,820	2,832	6,693	1,945	1,457	1,603
Mar. 1959	5,784	1,770	2,175	5,617	1,772	1,090	1,538
June	7,383	3,043	1,998	7,066	2,167	1,817	1,651
Sept.	5,201	1,916	1,666	5,898	2,096	1,198	1,719
Dec.	6,775	2,037	2,762	7,030	2,162	1,536	1,645
Mar. 1960	6,273	1,904	2,081	6,191	2,080	1,224	1,698
MONTHLY TOTALS							
Mar. 1958	5,722	1,830	2,252	5,427	1,672	959	1,609
Apr.	6,045	2,887	1,754	6,486	1,719	1,765	1,769
May	6,261	2,908	1,822	7,057	1,708	2,095	1,642
Mar. 1959	5,437	1,759	2,095	5,922	1,963	1,088	1,576
Apr.	6,722	3,023	2,008	6,887	2,041	1,784	1,689
May	7,040	3,030	1,834	7,115	2,025	2,284	1,518
Mar. 1960	6,025	1,904	1,835	6,712	2,498	1,055	1,814
Apr.	7,203	3,749	1,791	6,847	2,032	1,904	1,687
May							

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Period	Real Estate			Savings Banks	Cheque Paying Banks			
	Mortgages		Trans-ferred	Balance of Deposits	Balance of Deposits (a)	Balance of Advances (a)	Debits to Clients' Accounts (b)	
	Loaned	Dis-charged						
				£'000				
MONTHLY AVERAGES								
Year:	1954-55	3,107	1,321	5,391	127,325	124,458	52,117	36,339
	1955-56	3,186	1,405	5,537	133,068	122,374	54,499	39,618
	1956-57	3,538	1,306	5,190	138,352	126,242	53,260	42,773
	1957-58	3,695	1,697	6,034	145,615	134,711	57,286	44,370
	1958-59	4,747	1,795	6,541	151,427	132,179	62,791	46,291
Quarter:								
June	1957	3,661	1,410	5,811	139,796	133,516	52,803	45,146
Sept.		3,841	1,849	6,146	143,757	130,381	52,377	43,135
Dec.		3,401	1,504	5,551	146,000	136,037	56,194	46,114
Mar.	1958	3,572	1,613	5,935	146,176	141,178	57,502	43,260
June		3,968	1,820	6,504	146,529	131,350	62,985	44,969
Sept.		5,402	2,234	6,615	149,596	125,208	63,253	42,559
Dec.		4,391	1,643	6,041	150,415	129,536	63,483	47,647
Mar.	1959	4,123	1,345	6,198	151,732	138,129	61,897	46,626
June		5,071	1,957	7,309	153,966	136,299	62,462	48,252
Sept.		5,002	2,374	7,881	159,107	132,003	64,645	49,587
Dec.		5,086	2,094	7,665	162,352	135,605	66,717	55,022
Mar.	1960	5,181	2,132	8,496	162,867	140,430	66,890	52,417
MONTHLY TOTALS								
Mar.	1958	3,803	1,603	7,291	145,930	141,637	58,008	45,639
Apr.		3,802	2,040	6,238	145,711	136,411	61,438	46,221
May		4,343	1,860	6,729	145,017	128,910	64,008	44,851
Mar.	1959	4,572	942	6,931	152,559	144,201	59,549	49,994
Apr.		5,515	2,062	7,950	152,367	140,502	61,382	48,187
May		4,893	1,838	6,849	152,380	134,381	63,003	49,132
Mar.	1960	5,549	1,883	11,251	162,988	140,838	68,178	55,413
Apr.		3,791	1,344	9,379	162,541	136,890	72,181	55,033
May		6,119	2,236	9,471	161,817	131,974	75,019	58,863

(a) Average of balances at close of business on Wednesdays during the period. Banks were exempted from submitting returns for the 5th Wednesday in December, 1954, and the 4th Wednesday in December of the following years.

(b) Average of debits during weeks ending on Wednesdays in the period. Includes Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank and the Commonwealth Development Bank.

## RETAIL PRICE INDEXES, ADELAIDE

Period		"C" SERIES INDEX						
		(Base of each group: weighted average of six capital cities 1923-27 = 1,000)						
		Food and Groceries		Rent	Clothing	Miscellaneous	All Groups	
		A	B				A	B
Year	1954-55	-	2,590	1,197	3,231	2,116	-	2,311
	1955-56	2,659	2,734	1,303	3,228	2,177	2,371	2,398
	1956-57	2,724	2,847	1,415	3,240	2,252	2,437	2,481
	1957-58	2,707	2,687	1,524	3,324	2,345	2,494	2,484
	1958-59	2,924	2,910	1,641	3,333	2,362	2,602	2,597
Quarter:	June 1958	2,763	2,727	1,592	3,355	2,350	2,537	2,522
	Sept.	2,853	2,815	1,618	3,356	2,364	2,577	2,563
	Dec.	2,899	2,894	1,640	3,331	2,364	2,593	2,591
	Mar. 1959	2,936	2,946	1,651	3,319	2,360	2,605	2,609
	June	3,007	2,984	1,657	3,325	2,359	2,632	2,625
	Sept.	3,044	3,024	1,680	3,355	2,434	2,672	2,665
	Dec.	3,036	3,037	1,706	3,402	2,454	2,689	2,690
	Mar. 1960	3,169	3,136	1,739	3,457	2,457	2,749	2,739
Period		INTERIM INDEX						
		(Base of each group: 1952-53 = 100)						
		Food		Rent	Clothing and Drapery	Other	All Groups	
		A	B				A	B
Year:	1954-55	106.3	106.2	105.6	102.9	99.9	103.6	103.6
	1955-56	108.7	111.1	114.9	102.9	103.7	106.3	107.2
	1956-57	111.1	114.9	124.8	103.9	107.9	109.5	110.9
	1957-58	112.2	111.9	134.6	107.1	111.2	112.6	112.5
	1958-59	118.0	118.0	144.9	107.9	113.0	116.4	116.4
Quarter:	June 1958	114.2	113.4	140.6	108.1	111.6	114.2	114.0
	Sept.	116.0	115.3	143.0	108.2	112.6	115.4	115.2
	Dec.	116.9	117.2	144.8	108.0	112.6	115.9	116.0
	Mar. 1959	118.4	119.1	145.7	107.6	113.3	116.6	116.8
	June	120.7	120.5	146.2	107.8	113.5	117.6	117.5
	Sept.	121.2	121.1	148.1	108.7	117.5	119.2	119.2
	Dec.	120.3	120.8	150.4	109.8	119.1	119.8	120.0
	Mar. 1960	124.8	124.4	153.3	110.6	119.3	122.0	121.9

A excludes and B includes price movements of potatoes and onions.

# RAINFALL - AGRICULTURAL AREAS

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Period		Statistical Division						Whole State
		Central	Lower North	Upper North	South Eastern	West-ern	Murray Mallee	
TOTALS FOR PERIOD		Inches						
	Mean(a)	18.17	16.62	14.04	23.78	14.01	12.66	15.84
Year:	1955	22.72	19.28	17.03	27.01	17.42	16.68	19.36
	1956	20.88	21.13	18.45	28.10	21.46	16.51	20.46
	1957	11.36	10.62	10.23	17.39	8.73	8.19	10.06
	1958	17.29	15.70	17.29	23.59	16.02	13.58	16.25
	1959 p	10.95	9.50	9.30	14.06	8.33	8.12	9.43
Wheatgrowing Season - (Apr.-Nov.)	Mean(a)	14.99	13.46	10.81	19.69	11.68	9.70	12.85
	1955	18.70	15.24	12.76	23.72	14.44	13.00	15.71
	1956	18.86	18.98	16.09	24.78	19.26	13.82	18.18
	1957	10.38	9.36	8.15	14.44	7.34	6.58	8.67
	1958	15.65	13.67	15.32	22.27	13.20	11.98	14.21
	1959 p	7.19	6.01	5.90	8.76	5.83	5.38	6.22
Month: Jan.	1958	0.14	0.25	0.54	0.09	0.05	0.34	0.19
Feb.		0.13	0.23	0.04	0.30	0.04	0.29	0.16
Mar.		0.99	1.03	1.00	0.63	1.49	0.63	1.05
Apr.		0.67	0.67	0.55	0.64	0.49	0.53	0.59
May		3.57	2.62	1.16	4.96	2.61	2.06	2.77
Jan.	1959 p	0.19	0.32	0.54	0.28	0.08	0.20	0.21
Feb.	p	0.85	0.92	0.79	1.19	0.70	0.83	0.83
Mar.	p	1.45	1.44	1.39	2.03	1.16	1.04	1.31
Apr.	p	0.27	0.30	0.11	0.42	0.23	0.09	0.23
May	p	0.46	0.26	0.47	0.64	0.57	0.37	0.44
Jan.	1960 p	0.42	0.58	0.56	1.31	0.68	0.44	0.58
Feb.	p	2.07	1.73	0.92	2.45	1.91	1.66	1.85
Mar.	p	0.68	0.65	0.36	0.81	0.37	0.43	0.54
Apr.	p	2.45	1.62	0.94	3.06	2.20	1.43	1.99
May	p	4.81	5.05	5.04	5.06	2.92	2.64	3.98

(a) 54 years, 1905-1958

NOTE: Rainfall figures are means of readings at selected stations in agricultural areas of each Statistical Division of the State.

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